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Regarding U.S. Patent No. 6,117,345 to:

Chih-Chien LIU, et al.

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REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION OF PATENT FOR APPLICANT'S MISTAKE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.323

ATTENTION: Certificate of Corrections Branch Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

We request correction of a typographical error in claim 9 of U.S. Patent No. 6,117,345, which granted September 12, 2000.

Claim 9, line 7 incorrectly recites the term "mark layer" when the correct term is "mask layer." This is an unambiguous typographical error because the rest of claim 9 consistently refers to this layer as a "mask layer," and because the word "mark" is nowhere else mentioned in the entire application. Correction of the mistake would not constitute new matter, and does not require a reexamination of the claim. Accordingly, correction of the Applicant's mistake is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Column 10

Line 61, in claim 9, replace "mark" with -- mask --.

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